



COMMUNITY ADVISORY

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STATE ROUTE 269 IN HURON OPEN

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces maintenance crews have been able to remove all debris from last week's flooding and closure and are opening State Route(SR)269 near the community of Huron today.

Due to the break in the weather and thanks to the tremendous clean-up efforts of Caltrans Maintenance Crews SR 269 will once again serve as the primary access to and from the community of Huron.

Caltrans recently secured \$9 million in funding that will be utilized for the necessary Environmental Studies and Engineering Design involved with the development of an improvement project that would eliminate future flooding issues. Caltrans is also working with our local transportation partners to secure the additional \$16 million necessary for construction of this project prior to the current schedule of 2024.

"With this highway project, the residents of Huron and the agricultural goods and services that benefit the entire Central Valley, will enjoy year-round access to all of Fresno County and beyond", said Caltrans District Director Sharri Bender-Ehlert. "State Operational funds are helping to pay for vital transportation projects that relieve traffic congestion and benefit communities throughout this Southwest Fresno County goods movement corridor"

Caltrans Maintenance Workers would like to thank the residents, local businesses and commuters of Huron for their patience during this temporary closure and remind you to please continue to drive safely.

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